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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicants hereby petition that the period for submitting the Appeal Brief pursuant to the Notice of Appeal that was filed in the above-captioned application on October 21, 2004 be extended for five (5) months, to and including May 23, 2005, as May 21st falls on a Saturday.

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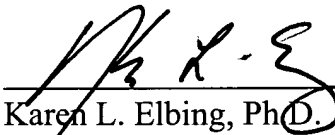
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